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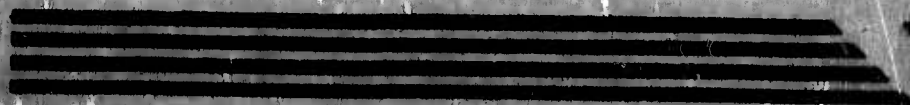
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ABSTRACT

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OBJECT

To describe a method of obtaining the exact sampling probabilities of the maximum likelihood estimate of the Shannon-Wiener information measure, and to present tables of these probabilities.


RESULTS

A two-variable generating function was described which yielded the sampling probabilities of the Shannon-Wiener information measure. Expansion and collection of terms in like powers of the first variable imposed the restriction that the sum of the  $k$  category frequencies equal  $n$ ; collection of terms in like powers of the second variable then produced terms whose coefficients were the required probabilities. Tables of these probabilities were presented for the equiprobable case.

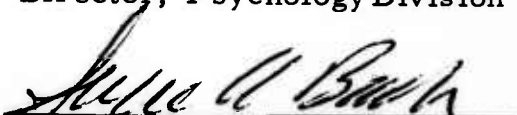
CONCLUSIONS

The method may be used with either equal or unequal category probabilities for any finite  $n$  and  $k$ , and thus represents a general solution to the small sample problem for this widely used statistic.

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# A GENERAL METHOD OF OBTAINING EXACT SAMPLING PROBABILITIES OF THE SHANNON-WIENER MEASURE OF INFORMATION, $\hat{H}$

The outcomes of many experiments are characterized by the distribution of  $n$  independent observations among  $k$  mutually exclusive and exhaustive categories. In situations of this sort, a number of statistics may be computed as functions of the category frequencies,  $n_i$ . A popular, and sometimes useful statistic is the maximum likelihood estimate of the Shannon-Wiener measure of information [2, 3]:

$$\hat{H} = -\sum_{i=1}^k \frac{n_i}{n} \log_2 \frac{n_i}{n} = \log_2 n - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \log_2 n_i, \quad (1)$$

where

$$\sum_{i=1}^k n_i = n. \quad (2)$$

While approximate tests of the significance of  $\hat{H}$  are available for large  $n$  [1], knowledge of the exact sampling probabilities is essential for accuracy when  $n$  is small, and of considerable theoretical interest for any  $n$ . The purpose of this paper is to present a general method for finding exact sampling probabilities of  $\hat{H}$  using a two-variable generating function.

Inspection of equation (1) will show that  $\hat{H}$  is a single valued function of the sum

$$S_r = \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \log_2 n_i. \quad (3)$$

Accordingly, the probability of obtaining the  $r$ th value of  $\hat{H}$  is equal to the probability of obtaining the  $r$ th value of the sum  $S$ , i. e.,  $f(\hat{H}_r) = f(S_r)$ . The two-variable generating function of equation (4) produces the probabilities of these sums:

$$F(t, u) = \prod_{i=1}^k \sum_{n_i=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n_i!} p_i^{n_i} u^{n_i} t^{n_i \log_2 n_i}. \quad (4)$$

The  $k$   $p_i$ 's in this function are probabilities subject to the restriction that

$$\sum_{i=1}^k p_i = 1, \quad p_i > 0 (i=1, 2, \dots, k),$$

and may be regarded as the parameters of a multinomial distribution with  $k$  categories from which the  $n$  independent observations are drawn.

Each of the  $k$  sums in  $F(t, u)$  may be identified with a category, while the individual terms in each sum represent possible outcomes in the specified category. The general term in the sum representing the  $i$ th category,

$$\frac{1}{n_i!} p_i^{n_i} u^{n_i} t^{n_i \log_2 n_i},$$

indicates that this category contains  $n_i$  observations which could have occurred in any one of  $n_i!$  ways with a probability of  $p_i^{n_i}$ , and that the corresponding  $i$ th term in the sum,  $S_r$ , will be  $n_i \log_2 n_i$ .

If the multiplication in (4) is carried out and terms in like powers of  $u$  are collected,  $F(t, u)$  may be expressed as

$$F(t, u) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g_n(t) \frac{u^n}{n!}.$$

This operation invokes the restriction (2) that the sum of the category frequencies equal the number of observations,  $n$ . Multiplication of the coefficients of  $u^n$  by  $n!$  accounts for the possible orderings of all  $n$  observations.

Next, if terms in like powers of  $t$  are collected in  $g_n(t)$ , the resulting terms will have the form

$$T = \left\{ \sum_{[n_i]_r} \sum \frac{n!}{\prod_{i=1}^k n_i!} \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{n_i} \right\} t^{S_r}, \quad (5)$$

in which the first sum is over the

$$q = \frac{k!}{\prod_{j=0}^k k_j!}, \quad (6)$$

with

$$\sum_{j=0}^k k_j = k,$$

possible orderings of a distinct set of  $n_i$ s among the  $k$  categories. In  $q$  (6), the  $k_j$ s are the number of  $n_i$ s equal  $j$ . The second sum in (5) is over all distinct sets of  $n_i$ s,  $[n_i]_r$ , which yield the  $r$ th value of  $S$ .

This expression (5) can be interpreted readily. The multinomial probability within the summation signs gives the probability of obtaining

a particular set of category frequencies in the indicated categories. Summing over the distinct permutations of the  $k$  categories gives the probability of obtaining a particular set of  $n_i$ s irrespective of category. Finally, summing these probabilities over all distinct sets of  $n_i$ s which yield the sum  $S_r$  gives the probability of obtaining  $S_r$ . Since the observed set of  $n_i$ s is included in these sets, the coefficient of  $t^{S_r}$  in (5) gives the required probability.

$g_n(t)$  is a polynomial in  $t$  in which the exponents of  $t$  are the possible values of  $S_r$ , and the coefficients of  $t$  are the corresponding probabilities. Thus,  $g_n(t)$  may be written

$$\begin{aligned} g_n(t) &= \sum_{r=1}^q f(S_r) t^{S_r} , \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^q f(H_r) t^{S_r} , \end{aligned}$$

and the sampling probability of the  $r$ th value of  $\hat{H}$  is given by (5), with  $t$  set equal to 1.

Thus,

$$f(H_r) = \sum_{\{n_i\}_r} \sum_{\substack{q \\ n_i!}} \frac{n!}{\prod_{i=1}^k n_i!} \prod_{i=1}^k p_i^{n_i} . \quad (7)$$

A special case of some importance arises when the category probabilities are known or assumed to be equal, i. e.,  $p_i = 1/k$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ ). In this case, (7) reduces to

$$f(H_r) = \sum_{\{n_i\}_r} \frac{k!}{\prod_{i=1}^k k!} \frac{n!}{\prod_{i=1}^k n_i!} \frac{1}{k^n} .$$

In summary, the sampling probabilities of  $\hat{H}$ , given  $n$ ,  $k$ , and the population probabilities,  $p_i$ , may be determined by first expanding the two-variable generating function,  $F(t, u)$  (4), collecting terms in  $u^n/n!$  to find  $g_n(t)$ , and finally, collecting terms in this function in like powers of  $t$  to find  $f(\hat{H})$ .

For computational purposes, it should be noted that if the infinite series in  $F(t, u)$  are truncated at  $n_i = c$ , the functions  $g_n(t)$  will be correct for all values of  $n$  up to and including  $c$ . Terms in higher powers of  $u$  than  $c$  should be discarded.

As an example of how the two-variable generating function is used consider the equiprobable case in which  $k = 4$ ,  $p_i = 1/k = 1/4$ , and

$n = 4$ . Substituting these values in  $F(t, u)$  (4), and truncating at  $n_i = 4 = c$  gives

$$F(t, u) = (1 + \frac{1}{4}u + \frac{1}{2!} \frac{1}{4} u^2 t^{2 \log_2 2} + \frac{1}{3!} \frac{1}{4} u^3 t^{3 \log_2 3} + \frac{1}{4!} \frac{1}{4} u^4 t^{4 \log_2 4})^4$$

Expanding and collecting terms in  $u^n/n!$  up to  $u^4/4!$  yields

$$F(t, u) = 1 + u + (\frac{12}{16} + \frac{4}{16} t^2) \frac{u^2}{2!} + (\frac{24}{64} + \frac{36}{64} t^2 + \frac{4}{64} t^{3 \log_2 3}) \frac{u^3}{3!} + (\frac{24}{256} + \frac{144}{256} t^2 + \frac{36}{256} t^4 + \frac{48}{256} t^{3 \log_2 3} + \frac{4}{256} t^8) \frac{u^4}{4!}$$

in which the polynomial coefficients of  $u^n/n!$  are the functions  $g_n(t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} g_1(t) &= t^0 \\ g_2(t) &= \frac{3}{4} t^0 + \frac{1}{4} t^2 \\ g_3(t) &= \frac{3}{8} t^0 + \frac{9}{16} t^2 + \frac{1}{16} t^{3 \log_2 3} \\ g_4(t) &= \frac{3}{32} t^0 + \frac{9}{16} t^2 + \frac{9}{64} t^4 + \frac{3}{16} t^{3 \log_2 3} + \frac{1}{64} t^8 \end{aligned}$$

The exponents of  $t$  in these expressions are the possible values of  $S_r$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ , and  $k = 4$ . The value of  $\hat{H}$  determined by each  $S_r$  may be found by substituting  $S_r$  (3) in the equation for  $\hat{H}$  (1). For  $g_4(t)$  the  $S_r$ s are:  $S_1 = .0000$ ,  $S_2 = 2.0000$ ,  $S_3 = 4.0000$ ,  $S_4 = 3 \log_2 3 = 4.7549$ , and  $S_5 = 8.0000$ . The corresponding values of  $\hat{H}$  are:  $\hat{H}_1 = 2.0000$ ,  $\hat{H}_2 = 1.5000$ ,  $\hat{H}_3 = 1.0000$ ,  $\hat{H}_4 = .8113$ , and  $\hat{H}_5 = .0000$ . The sampling probabilities associated with these values of  $\hat{H}$  are given by the coefficients of  $t^{S_r}$  in  $g_4(t)$ . Thus,  $f(2.0000) = 3/32$ ,  $f(1.5000) = 9/16$ ,  $f(1.0000) = 9/64$ ,  $f(.8113) = 3/16$ , and  $f(.0000) = 1/64$ . The functions  $g_1(t)$ ,  $g_2(t)$ , and  $g_3(t)$  may be used in the same way to identify the sampling probabilities of  $\hat{H}$  when  $n = 1, 2$ , and  $3$ .

Table 1 is the result of similar calculations for the special case of equiprobable categories,  $2 \leq k \leq 11$ , and  $2 \leq n \leq 12$ . The first page of Table 1 and the entries for  $9 \leq n = k \leq 11$  were computed by hand, set aside, and recomputed. As a further check, the expected values of these sampling distributions were compared with the values obtained by Rogers and Green [2]. At this point the probabilities for the entire table became available through computer-expansion of the generating function, and the hand calculations were used to check these results.\*

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The exact sampling probability of an obtained  $\hat{H}$  may be found by entering Table 1 at  $n$ ,  $k$ , and the value of the observed  $\hat{H}$ . Tests of the significance of obtained values of  $\hat{H}$  under the hypothesis of equal category probabilities may be devised by summing the tabled sampling probabilities over appropriately chosen rejection regions.

While the use of Table 1 is restricted to the case of equal category probabilities, it should be emphasized that the generating function  $F(t, u)$  (4) may be employed in the general case of unequal probabilities for any finite  $n$  and  $k$ . The proposed method therefore represents a general solution to the small sample problem.

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TABLE 1

Exact sampling probabilities of  $\hat{H}$  for  $2 \leq k \leq 11$ ,  $2 \leq n \leq 12$ , and  $p_i = 1/k$ .

N	A H	K									
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
2	1.000	.5000	.6667	.7500	.8000	.8333	.8571	.8750	.8889	.9000	.9091
	.000	.5000	.3333	.2500	.2000	.1667	.1428	.1250	.1111	.1000	.0909
3	1.585		.2222	.3750	.4800	.5556	.6122	.6562	.6914	.7200	.7438
	.918	.7500	.6667	.5625	.4800	.4167	.3673	.3281	.2963	.2700	.2479
	.000	.2500	.1111	.0625	.0400	.0278	.0204	.0156	.0123	.0100	.0083
4	2.000			.0937	.1920	.2778	.3498	.4102	.4609	.5040	.5409
	1.500		.4444	.5625	.5760	.5556	.5248	.4922	.4609	.4320	.4057
	1.000	.3750	.2222	.1406	.0960	.0694	.0525	.0410	.0329	.0270	.0225
	.811	.5000	.2963	.1875	.1280	.0926	.0700	.0547	.0439	.0360	.0301
	.000	.1250	.0370	.0156	.0080	.0046	.0029	.0020	.0014	.0010	.0008
5	2.322				.0384	.0926	.1499	.2051	.2561	.3024	.3442
	1.922			.2344	.3840	.4630	.4998	.5127	.5121	.5040	.4918
	1.522		.3704	.3516	.2880	.2315	.1874	.1538	.1280	.1080	.0922
	1.371		.2469	.2344	.1920	.1543	.1249	.1025	.0854	.0720	.0615
	.971	.6250	.2469	.1172	.0640	.0366	.0250	.0171	.0122	.0090	.0068
	.722	.3125	.1234	.0586	.0320	.0193	.0125	.0085	.0061	.0045	.0034
	.000	.0625	.0123	.0049	.0016	.0008	.0004	.0002	.0002	.0001	.0001
6	2.585					.0154	.0428	.0769	.1138	.1512	.1878
	2.252				.1152	.2315	.3213	.3845	.4268	.4536	.4694
	1.918			.2637	.3456	.3472	.3213	.2884	.2561	.2268	.2012
	1.792			.1172	.1536	.1543	.1428	.1282	.1138	.1008	.0894
	1.585		.1234	.0879	.0576	.0366	.0268	.0192	.0142	.0108	.0084
	1.459	.4938	.3516	.2304	.1543	.1071	.0769	.0569	.0432	.0335	.0255
	1.252	.1234	.0879	.0576	.0366	.0268	.0192	.0142	.0108	.0084	.0064
	1.000	.3125	.0823	.0293	.0128	.0064	.0036	.0021	.0014	.0009	.0006
	.918	.4687	.1234	.0439	.0192	.0096	.0054	.0032	.0020	.0013	.0009
	.650	.1875	.0494	.0176	.0076	.0038	.0021	.0013	.0008	.0005	.0004
	.000	.0312	.0041	.0010	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
7	2.807						.0061	.0192	.0379	.0604	.0853
	2.522					.0540	.1285	.2019	.2655	.3175	.3565
	2.236				.1612	.2701	.3213	.3364	.3319	.3175	.2967
	2.128				.0537	.0900	.1071	.1122	.1106	.1058	.0996
	1.950			.1538	.1612	.1350	.1071	.0841	.0664	.0529	.0427
	1.842			.3076	.3225	.2701	.2142	.1682	.1328	.1058	.0853
	1.664			.0513	.0537	.0450	.0357	.0280	.0221	.0176	.0142
	1.557		.2881	.1538	.0806	.0450	.0268	.0168	.0111	.0075	.0053
	1.449	.1920	.1025	.0537	.0300	.0178	.0112	.0074	.0040	.0026	.0016
	1.379	.2881	.1538	.0806	.0450	.0268	.0168	.0111	.0075	.0040	.0026
	1.149	.0576	.0308	.0161	.0090	.0054	.0034	.0022	.0013	.0008	.0005
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	.863	.3281	.0576	.0154	.0054	.0022	.0011	.0006	.0003	.0002	.0001
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	.000	.0156	.0014	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
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	2.750						.0245	.0673	.1180	.1693	.2172
	2.500					.0900	.1836	.2523	.2950	.3175	.3269
	2.406					.0240	.0490	.0673	.0767	.0847	.0860
	2.250				.1290	.1800	.1836	.1682	.1475	.1270	.1076
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	2.000		.0384	.0537	.0525	.0459	.0386	.0320	.0264	.0220	.0180
	1.906		.3076	.2560	.1800	.1224	.0841	.0590	.0423	.0310	.0210
	1.811		.1025	.0860	.0600	.0408	.0280	.0197	.0141	.0103	.0073
	1.750		.1538	.1290	.0900	.0612	.0421	.0295	.0212	.0155	.0115
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	1.549		.0205	.0172	.0120	.0082	.0056	.0039	.0028	.0021	.0015
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	1.000	.2734	.0320	.0064	.0018	.0006	.0002	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000
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	.811	.2187	.0256	.0051	.0014	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.544	.0625	.0073	.0015	.0004	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.000	.0078	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000

TABLE 1 (Continued)

Exact sampling probabilities of  $\hat{A}$  for  $2 \leq k \leq 11$ ,  $2 \leq n \leq 12$ , and  $p_i = 1/k$ .

N	A H	K									
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
9	3.170								.0009	.0036	.0085
	2.948							.0108	.0337	.0653	.1016
	2.725						.0472	.1136	.1770	.2286	.2666
	2.642						.0105	.0252	.0393	.0508	.0592
	2.503					.0900	.1574	.1892	.1967	.1905	.1778
	2.419					.0900	.1574	.1892	.1967	.1905	.1778
	2.281				.0581	.0765	.0748	.0662	.0566	.0476	.0400
	2.197				.2322	.2701	.2361	.1892	.1475	.1143	.0889
	2.113				.0516	.0600	.0524	.0421	.0328	.0254	.0198
	2.059				.0774	.0900	.0787	.0631	.0492	.0381	.0296
	1.975		.1154	.07.4	.0450	.0262	.0158	.0098	.0064	.0042	.0025
	1.891		.2307	.1548	.0900	.0524	.0315	.0197	.0127	.0085	.0055
	1.880				.0077	.0090	.0079	.0063	.0049	.0038	.0030
	1.837			.1730	.1161	.0675	.0393	.0236	.0148	.0095	.0063
	1.753			.1154	.0774	.0450	.0262	.0158	.0098	.0064	.0042
	1.658				.0692	.0464	.0270	.0157	.0095	.0059	.0038
	1.585	.0854	.0256	.0086	.0033	.0014	.0007	.0004	.0004	.0002	.0001
	1.530	.3841	.1154	.0387	.0150	.0066	.0032	.0016	.0009	.0005	.0003
	1.447			.0077	.0052	.0030	.0017	.0011	.0006	.0004	.0003
	1.435		.1152	.0346	.0116	.0045	.0020	.0009	.0005	.0003	.0002
	1.392		.0960	.0288	.0097	.0038	.0016	.0008	.0004	.0002	.0001
	1.352		.1536	.0461	.0155	.0060	.0026	.0013	.0006	.0004	.0002
	1.224		.0768	.0231	.0077	.0030	.0013	.0006	.0003	.0002	.0001
	.991	.4922	.0384	.0058	.0013	.0004	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.986		.0110	.0033	.0011	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.918	.3281	.0256	.0038	.0009	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.764	.1406	.0110	.0016	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.503	.0352	.0027	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.000	.0039	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
10	3.322								.0004	.0015	.0046
	3.122								.0163	.0346	.0616
	2.922							.0236	.0656	.1143	.1616
	2.846							.0045	.0125	.0218	.0308
	2.722						.0562	.1183	.1639	.1905	.2040
	2.646					.0450	.0946	.1311	.1524	.1616	.1616
	2.522				.0563	.0881	.0966	.0929	.0841	.0741	.0741
	2.446				.1500	.2248	.2366	.2186	.1905	.1616	.1616
	2.371				.0250	.0375	.0394	.0364	.0318	.0269	.0269
	2.322			.0116	.0488	.0646	.0651	.0587	.0505	.0424	.0424
	2.246			.1548	.1500	.1124	.0788	.0546	.0381	.0269	.0269
	2.171			.1548	.1500	.1124	.0788	.0546	.0381	.0269	.0269
	2.161				.0030	.0045	.0047	.0044	.0038	.0032	.0032
	2.122				.1161	.1125	.0843	.0591	.0410	.0286	.0202
	2.046				.0516	.0500	.0375	.0263	.0182	.0127	.0090
	1.971		.1442	.0774	.0375	.0187	.0098	.0055	.0032	.0019	.0019
	1.961			.0310	.0300	.0225	.0158	.0109	.0076	.0054	.0054
	1.922		.0721	.0387	.0188	.0094	.0049	.0027	.0016	.0010	.0010
	1.895		.0641	.0344	.0167	.0083	.0044	.0024	.0014	.0008	.0008
	1.846		.2884	.1548	.0750	.0375	.0197	.0109	.0064	.0038	.0038
	1.771			.0026	.0025	.0019	.0013	.0009	.0006	.0004	.0004
	1.761			.0865	.0464	.0225	.0112	.0059	.0033	.0019	.0012
	1.722			.0360	.0194	.0094	.0047	.0025	.0014	.0008	.0005
	1.685			.0577	.0310	.0150	.0075	.0039	.0022	.0013	.0008
	1.571	.2134	.0769	.0284	.0117	.0053	.0026	.0014	.0008	.0005	.0005
	1.522	.1600	.0360	.0097	.0031	.0012	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0001	.0001
	1.485	.2561	.0577	.0155	.0050	.0019	.0008	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0001
	1.371	.0640	.0144	.0039	.0012	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.361	.1280	.0288	.0077	.0025	.0009	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.357		.0027	.0015	.0007	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.295	.0854	.0192	.0052	.0017	.0006	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.157	.0366	.0082	.0022	.0007	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.000	.2461	.0128	.0014	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.971	.4102	.0213	.0024	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.922		.0046	.0010	.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.881	.2344	.0122	.0014	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.722	.0879	.0046	.0005	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.469	.0195	.0010	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.000	.0020	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000

TABLE 1 (Continued)

Exact sampling probabilities of  $\hat{N}$  for  $2 \leq k \leq 11$ ,  $2 \leq n \leq 12$ , and  $|p_1| = 1/k$ .

N	$\hat{N}$	K									
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
11	3.459										.0001
	3.278									.0020	.0077
	3.096								.0114	.0359	.0692
	3.027								.0019	.0060	.0115
	2.914							.0325	.0801	.1257	.1616
	2.845							.0217	.0534	.0838	.1077
	2.732						.0442	.0829	.1040	.1108	.1067
	2.664						.0883	.1626	.2003	.2096	.2020
	2.595						.0118	.0217	.0267	.0279	.0269
	2.550					.0206	.0442	.0569	.0601	.0576	.0525
	2.482					.1375	.1766	.1626	.1336	.1048	.0808
	2.413					.0917	.1178	.1084	.0890	.0698	.0539
	2.404						.0012	.0022	.0027	.0028	.0027
	2.368					.0688	.0863	.0813	.0668	.0524	.0404
	2.300				.0426	.0573	.0515	.0407	.0306	.0227	.0168
	2.231				.1703	.1375	.0883	.0542	.0334	.0210	.0135
	2.222					.0138	.0177	.0163	.0134	.0105	.0081
	2.187				.0852	.0688	.0442	.0271	.0167	.0105	.0067
	2.163				.0378	.0306	.0196	.0120	.0074	.0046	.0030
	2.118				.1703	.1375	.0883	.0542	.0334	.0210	.0135
	2.049					.0009	.0012	.0011	.0009	.0007	.0005
	2.040				.0511	.0412	.0265	.0163	.0100	.0063	.0040
	2.005				.0142	.0115	.0074	.0045	.0028	.0017	.0011
	1.981			.0881	.0378	.0153	.0065	.0030	.0015	.0008	.0004
	1.972				.0227	.0183	.0118	.0072	.0044	.0028	.0018
	1.936			.1983	.0852	.0344	.0147	.0068	.0033	.0017	.0010
	1.868			.1322	.0681	.0321	.0157	.0081	.0044	.0026	.0015
	1.856			.0396	.0170	.0069	.0029	.0014	.0007	.0003	.0002
	1.823			.0991	.0426	.0172	.0074	.0034	.0017	.0009	.0005
	1.790			.1586	.0681	.0275	.0118	.0054	.0027	.0014	.0008
	1.686			.0396	.0170	.0069	.0029	.0014	.0007	.0003	.0002
	1.677			.0396	.0170	.0069	.0029	.0014	.0007	.0003	.0002
	1.673				.0008	.0006	.0004	.0002	.0002	.0001	.0001
	1.617			.0264	.0114	.0046	.0020	.0009	.0004	.0002	.0001
	1.573		.1956	.0330	.0071	.0019	.0006	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.539		.1565	.0264	.0057	.0015	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.495		.2347	.0396	.0085	.0023	.0007	.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.491			.0113	.0049	.0020	.0008	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0001
	1.435		.1565	.0264	.0057	.0015	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.348		.0469	.0079	.0017	.0004	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.322		.0782	.0132	.0028	.0008	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.309		.0335	.0057	.0012	.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.278			.0009	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.241		.0447	.0076	.0016	.0004	.0001	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.096		.0168	.0028	.0006	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.994	.4512	.0156	.0013	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.946	.3223	.0112	.0009	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.866		.0019	.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.845	.1611	.0056	.0005	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.684	.0537	.0019	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.440	.0107	.0004	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.000	.0010	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
12	3.418										.0008
	3.252									.0054	.0189
	3.189									.0008	.0028
	3.085								.0178	.0503	.0881
	3.022								.0102	.0287	.0504
	2.918							.0305	.0674	.0961	.1133
	2.855							.0488	.1068	.1509	.1763
	2.792							.0054	.0119	.0168	.0196
	2.752						.0227	.0447	.0579	.0629	.0624
	2.689						.1009	.1626	.1781	.1676	.1469
	2.626						.0505	.0813	.0890	.0838	.0734
	2.617							.0005	.0010	.0014	.0017
	2.585					.0034	.0416	.0640	.0690	.0644	.0562
	2.522					.0688	.0858	.0772	.0623	.0482	.0367
	2.459					.1375	.1514	.1220	.0890	.0629	.0441
	2.451						.0061	.0098	.0107	.0101	.0088
	2.418					.0688	.0757	.0610	.0445	.0314	.0220

TABLE 1 (Continued)

Exact sampling probabilities of  $\hat{A}$  for  $2 \leq k \leq 11$ ,  $2 \leq n \leq 12$ , and  $p_i = 1/k$ .

N	A H	K									
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	2.396					.0204	.0224	.0181	.0132	.0093	.0065
	2.355					.0917	.1009	.0813	.0594	.0419	.0294
	2.292					.0458	.0256	.0141	.0080	.0048	.0029
	2.284				.0681	.0275	.0303	.0244	.0178	.0126	.0088
	2.252				.0255	.0229	.0158	.0102	.0065	.0042	.0028
	2.230				.0908	.0611	.0336	.0181	.0099	.0056	.0033
	2.221					.0092	.0101	.0081	.0059	.0042	.0029
	2.189				.2044	.1375	.0757	.0407	.0223	.0126	.0073
	2.126				.0681	.0504	.0303	.0176	.0104	.0063	.0039
	2.117				.0409	.0275	.0151	.0081	.0044	.0025	.0015
	2.085				.0511	.0344	.0189	.0102	.0056	.0031	.0018
	2.054				.0817	.0550	.0303	.0163	.0089	.0050	.0029
	2.000		.0220		.0076	.0025	.0009	.0004	.0002	.0001	.0000
	1.959		.1983		.0886	.0367	.0160	.0074	.0037	.0020	.0011
	1.951				.0136	.0092	.0050	.0027	.0015	.0008	.0005
	1.947					.0003	.0003	.0002	.0002	.0001	.0001
	1.918			.0744	.0255	.0086	.0032	.0013	.0006	.0003	.0001
	1.896				.0091	.0061	.0034	.0018	.0010	.0006	.0003
	1.888			.1190	.0409	.0138	.0050	.0020	.0009	.0004	.0002
	1.855			.0991	.0341	.0115	.0042	.0017	.0007	.0003	.0002
	1.825			.0793	.0272	.0092	.0034	.0014	.0006	.0003	.0001
	1.792			.0198	.0068	.0023	.0008	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000
	1.784			.1190	.0409	.0138	.0050	.0020	.0009	.0004	.0002
	1.781				.0039	.0026	.0014	.0008	.0004	.0002	.0001
	1.730			.0793	.0272	.0092	.0034	.0014	.0006	.0003	.0001
	1.650			.0119	.0041	.0014	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.626			.0198	.0068	.0023	.0008	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000
	1.614			.0170	.0058	.0020	.0007	.0003	.0001	.0001	.0000
	1.585		.0652	.0083	.0017	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.554		.3130	.0396	.0068	.0015	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.551			.0113	.0039	.0013	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000
	1.500		.1043	.0132	.0023	.0005	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.483		.0939	.0119	.0020	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.459		.1565	.0198	.0034	.0008	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.418			.0042	.0014	.0005	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.384		.0894	.0113	.0019	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.325		.0626	.0079	.0014	.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.281		.0447	.0057	.0010	.0002	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.252		.0168	.0021	.0004	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.208			.0003	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.189		.0224	.0028	.0005	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.041		.0074	.0009	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	1.000	.2256	.0052	.0003	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.980	.3867	.0089	.0006	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.918	.2417	.0056	.0004	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.817		.0007	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.811	.1074	.0025	.0002	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.650	.0322	.0007	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.414	.0058	.0001	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
	.000	.0005	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000

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